

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
GROUP 1615  
PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q64175

Kenichiro SHIROYAMA, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/848,225

Group Art Unit: 1615

Confirmation No.: 6389

Examiner: CHANNAVAJJALA, Lakshmi Sarada

Filed: May 4, 2001

For: CLEAR AQUEOUS CERAMIDE COMPOSITION

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MAIL STOP AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Please consider the following Applicants' response to the outstanding rejection of July 3, 2006, twice extended to December 3, 2006, by an appropriate two-month petition for extension of time and fee submitted herewith.

**RESPONSE**

Review and reconsideration on the merits are requested.

At the time of rejection, claims 7 and 12-20 were pending. All of these claims are rejected over prior art.

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